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Commissioning of Unit-2 of KNPP
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a)the present status of the commissioning of Unit-2 of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant;

(b)whether the Government has noted concerns expressed by experts to the safety of nuclear reactor at Kudankulam;

(c)if so, the details thereof and the measures taken for ensuring safety of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant; and

(d)the steps taken by the Government to expedite operationalizing this Unit?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (Dr. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)The Unit-2 of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant is under commissioning. Various systems and equipment are being commissioned as per commissioning plan.

(b)&(c) The safety of Kudankulam reactors has been reviewed in detail by the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board and all activities have been carried out strictly in accordance with their clearances. While no experts have noted any safety concerns, some individuals and groups have raised apprehensions about safety of the plant. These are being addressed through a public outreach programme adopting a multipronged approach.

(d)The balance activities are being expedited to ensure early operationalisation of the unit.

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